

**Subject:** Re: Encampment cleanings and sidewalk disinfection  
**From:** Elena Stern <elena.stern@lacity.org>  
**Date:** 10/5/20, 6:07 PM  
**To:** Sarah Bell <sarah.bell@lacity.org>  
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Thank you Sarah. I will share tomorrow and save for the next one.....

On Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 5:19 PM Sarah Bell <[sarah.bell@lacity.org](mailto:sarah.bell@lacity.org)> wrote:  
Elena,

Please see our response to Joel Grover below.

Sarah

**When did the city stop doing CARE team and OHS cleanups because of the pandemic?**

The City has not stopped CARE/CARE+ or OHS operations. Daily CARE and scheduled CARE+ clean-ups have continued as spot cleaning operations throughout the city during the pandemic. This includes OHS areas as well as the larger city. Spot cleaning is the removal of line of site health hazards, the removal of trash, litter, and debris, as well as ensuring compliance with ingress/egress, ADA access, and working toward voluntary compliance among people experiencing homelessness.

Additionally, posted comprehensive clean-ups resumed in A Bridge Home (ABH) locations in late July. These locations have permanently posted signage, regularly scheduled clean-up dates, and a designated zone. There are approximately 14 ABH zones throughout the city that are doing a combination of spot cleanings and comprehensives. Approximately 12 ABH zones have weekly comprehensive cleaning and 2 continue to have spot cleaning operations.

**I know clean up were resumed in San Pedro but am told they have stopped. Please confirm.**

The ABH zone in San Pedro continues to have weekly comprehensive clean-ups. As with all other ABH zones, the location has permanently posted signage that also contains a map of the zone.

**Are there any other areas where CARE or OHS cleanups have been done during the pandemic?** See above.

**Does the city have any plans to resume CARE and OHS cleanups? If so, when and where?**  
See above.

**Has the city done any disinfecting of sidewalks and/or streets in the Skid Row and DTLA areas in recent months? If so, when and where?**

The City disinfects and/or power washes clean-up locations as needed.

On Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 10:04 AM Sarah Bell <[sarah.bell@lacity.org](mailto:sarah.bell@lacity.org)> wrote:  
Yes, let me answer all of these based on what's been going on lately.

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On Mon, Oct 5, 2020 at 9:54 AM Elena Stern <[elena.stern@lacity.org](mailto:elena.stern@lacity.org)> wrote:  
So I have the standard response we have been using but not sure about Skid Row and DTLA? I'm assuming we have resumed at El Pueblo but I'm not aware of any other ABH shelters in Skid Row? Please add what you can.....

Thanks!

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From: **Grover, Joel (NBCUniversal, KNBC)** <[Joel.Grover@nbcuni.com](mailto:Joel.Grover@nbcuni.com)>  
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Hi Elena,

I hope you're hanging in there.

A few questions:

When did the city stop doing CARE team and OHS cleanups because of the pandemic?

I know clean up were resumed in San Pedro but am told they have stopped. Please confirm.

Are there any other areas where CARE or OHS cleanups have been done during the pandemic?

Does the city have any plans to resume CARE and OHS cleanups? If so, when and where?

Has the city done any disinfecting of sidewalks and/or streets in the Skid Row and DTLA areas in recent months? If so, when and where?

I'd like to interview someone from BOS about this subject in the next few days. I can be flexible.

Regards,

Joel

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